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In re Patent Application of:
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For: METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF
KETOCAROTENOIDS IN PETALS OF
PLANTS

Examiner: Russell Kallis

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for clarifying the Restriction Requirement regarding groups O through R, which should have read "ε-cyclase" instead of "endogenous beta hydroxylase" corresponding to the sections as in claim 24.

Applicants acknowledge that the Examiner considers claims 1-3, 5, 12-15, 21-23, 27, 29-30, 60-62, 86-87 and 90-99 generic to Groups I and II.

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 19, 2007, Applicants elect Group II, claims 1-100, Group i), Groups A) and B), Group O), and Group S).

This response is filed within one month of the mailing of the Office Communication to and including May 21, 2007, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.7, to respond to the Office Action mailed April 19, 2007, thus Applicants do not believe that any fee is due with this response. However,

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if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 03-2775, under Order No. 13173-00007-US from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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